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Sir:

In response to the election requirement dated March 11, 2005, Applicants elect for present prosecution the claims of Group III, Claims 18-19, with traverse because examination of all of the claims is not seen as imposing an undue burden on the Examiner.

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